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I must say that the proposed settlement is not a good one, in general because the proposed remedy is clumsy, unworkable, and liable to lead to further litigation when problems crop up. In addition, I believe many of the details of the proposal, especially the provisions concerning disclosure and licensing to commercial businesses only, will have a devastating effect on open-source projects that interact with Microsoft products. This can only lead to strengthening Microsoft's market position, and allowing them to benefit from their monopoly.

I urge you to reject the proposed settlement, and to re-open the idea of separating Microsoft into two or more companies as a simpler, fairer remedy.

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